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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

11033 U.S. PTO  
09/879556  
06/12/01

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Jong-hyon Ahn

For (title): METAL INTERCONNECT LAYER  
OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
AND METHOD FOR FORMING A  
METAL INTERCONNECT LAYER

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

**37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

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1. **Type of Application** This new application is for a(n)

- ☒ Original (nonprovisional)  
☐ Design  
☐ Plant  
☐ Divisional.  
☐ Continuation.  
☐ Continuation-in-part (C-I-P).

2. **Benefit of Prior Application(s)**

☒ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior Korean application no. 00-64557.

3. **Papers Enclosed**

18 Pages of specification  
9 Pages of claims  
1 Page of Abstract  
9 Sheets of drawings  
☒ formal  
☐ informal  
       Page of Cover Sheet

- ☐ The **enclosed** drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)." 37 C.F.R. 1.84(b).

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**4. Additional papers enclosed**

- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.98)
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
- ☐ Copies of cited references
- ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
- ☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.
- ☐ Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representative
- ☐ Special Comments
- ☒ Other: Return Postcard.

**5. Declaration or oath**

- ☒ Enclosed
  - ☐ Unexecuted
  - ☒ Executed by
    - ☒ inventors
    - ☐ legal representative of inventor(s).  
37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43.
    - ☐ joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached.
    - ☐ This is the petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 is also attached. See item 12 below for fee.
- ☐ Not Enclosed
- ☐ Application is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. 1.41 (c) on behalf of all the above named inventor(s).
  - ☐ Showing that the filing is authorized.

**6. Assignment**

- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.
  - ☒ is attached. A separate ☐ "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" or ☒ FORM PTO 1595 is also attached. will follow.

7. **Certified Copy**

Certified copy(ies) of application(s)

<u>Korea</u>	<u>00-64557</u>	<u>2000 November 1</u>
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from which priority is claimed

☒ is (are) attached.

☐ will follow.

8. **Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16)**

CLAIMS AS FILED				
	Number filed		Number Extra	Rate
				Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) <b>\$710.00</b>
Total				
Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	42	- 20 =	22	\$ 18.00
Independent				
Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	6	- 3 =	3	\$ 80.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$260.00

☐ A Preliminary Amendment canceling claims is enclosed. The filing fee is calculated based on the number of claims remaining after entry of the Preliminary Amendment.

☐ Amendment deleting multiple-dependencies is enclosed.

☐ Fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time.

Filing Fee Calculation

\$1,346.00

**9. Small Entity Statement(s)**

☐ Verified Statement(s) that this is a filing by a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is (are) attached.

☐ Status as a small entity was claimed in prior application \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
from which benefit is being claimed for this application under:

35 U.S.C. ☐ 119(e),

☐ 120,

☐ 121,

☐ 365(c),

and which status as a small entity is still proper and desired.

☐ A copy of the verified statement in the prior application is included.

**Filing Fee Calculation (50% of A, B or C above)**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

☐ Not Enclosed

☐ No filing fee is to be paid at this time.  
(This and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.)

☒ Enclosed

☒ Basic filing fee \$ 1,346.00

☒ Recording assignment

(\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. 1.21(h))

(See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT  
ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION".)

\$ 40.00

**Total fees enclosed** \$ 1,386.00

**11. Method of Payment of Fees**

☒ Checks in the amounts of \$ 1,346.00 and \$40.00

☐ Charge Account No. 50-1798 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

12. **Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 50-1798.

☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (application processing fees)

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b))

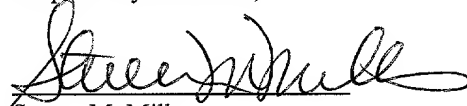
13. **Instructions as to Overpayment**

☒ Credit Account No. 50-1798

☐ Refund

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application please find the following listed items:

1. New Application Transmittal;
2. New Patent Application;
3. Executed Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney;
4. Nine (9) Sheets of Formal Drawings;
5. Preliminary Amendment;
6. Certified Copy of Priority Document - Korean Application No. 00-64557;
7. Check in the amount of \$1,346.00 to cover application filing fee;
8. Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet - - PTO-1595;
9. Executed Assignment;
10. Check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover Assignment Recordation fee; and
11. Return Postcard.

In connection with the foregoing matter, please charge any additional fees which may be due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1798. A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for this purpose.

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